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By Associated Press Staff
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the press that what they waited for: depressing

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As World has no doubt but the disposition

As the young men of the democratic party is to

value good government, punish the guilty and

be their party in fact what they have be-

oved it to be in fact. But the young men

were unable to cope with the wily, astute poli-

icians of their party. The absurd and allo-

gether discreditable pronouncement which

came out of Okmulgee was the old, astute,

tricky, bedizened bourgeois leaders sent to Ok-

mulgee by the statehouse machine, speaking

through the virile young men of the party. And

so far from drawing a line of demarcation be-

tween what J. B. A. Robertson stands for and

what the democracy of the state stands for, it

was a most pitiful and abject failure. Indeed,

by the action of the Okmulgee convention Rob-

ertsonism, Dennisism, Freelingism, and Chris-

topherism become democracy in Oklahoma.

Inevitably we recall the unctuous phrases of

the Okmulgee editor a day or two prior to the

opening of the convention, pointing democ-

cracy's opportunity and painting its need. "The

party," said this democratic editor, "needs men

of such probity and courage as can look an hon-

est man in the eye and tell him to go to hell."

Match that standard by the act of the con-

vention!

We find the assembly plastic in the hands of

the fixers—Ole Gentry rushed to Okmulgee by

the statehouse crew, parrot-like, repeating the

words put in its mouth by these seasoned poli-

ticians, unable, or unwilling, to evince the cour-

age to even look the honest people of the state

in the eye, much less tell them "to go to hell,"

and solemnly assuring the voters of the state

that the democratic party stands opposed to

the Imperial commonwealth—will search in vain for a single word of criticism of Jim Robertson's record in using every vestige of his official influence to escape impeachment during the last legislature. They will discover not even a breath of condemnation for the scenes in the state legislature when whisky flowed like water and the famous tie vote enabled the titular leader of democracy to draw a breath of ease.

The facts adduced by the legislature were certainly the findings of a "tribunal of competent jurisdiction" and the process was through "properly prescribed channels." Yet not a word about all this.

And again: There are many outstanding facts in connection with the Okmulgee sensation. Democrats and republicans alike testify to these. The record is made. It has not even been denied or disputed. Instead, confession is suggested by an array of resignations and flight.

If the democratic party, as a governing instrumentality is indeed better than Robertson and others why did not those delegates condemn specifically these things? Did they show worthiness of the public confidence in condemning by name certain national republican incidents concerning which there exists nothing but bald suspicion the while carefully refraining from even mentioning the cesspools of their own jurisdiction and making?

We may not.

"We deplore," they said "the nation-wide corruption in office. We indict the action of the president of the United States in employing the tremendous power of the executive office in procuring a seat in the senate of the United States for a man standing convicted of crime . . ."

To be sure. Because that has to do with Harding, the republican, and the state of Michigan, also republican. Granting that everything charged is true, what has that to do with Oklahoma wherein this assembly finds its sole jurisdiction? If the republican president earns condemnation for using the "tremendous power of the executive office" in such a base cause, what is to be said of the governor of Oklahoma who has so outrageously used the "tremendous power of his office" to thwart justice and cover up crime? It is not accepted procedure for one horse thief, proven guilty to say that another horse thief remain at large.

Is it possible that the delegates assembled at Okmulgee had forgotten the name of Robertson, the titular head of their own party?

There is more to regret than condemn and despise in this latest demonstration of democracy's total unfitness for trust in Oklahoma. Because it proves beyond even the slightest question that the party's sole concern is how to get by and continue to fool the people. If Robertson can continue to use his office to protect himself and his gang, and can eventually escape the action of "properly prescribed channels" and "tribunals of competent jurisdiction" his party leaders are ready to point to him with pride. That is their sole requirement—that he be not caught with the goods. If he is, then in despair they may in a mild sort of way "view him with alarm." But it will not be a very indignant "view" so long as they can point out a republican crook somewhere else in the republic.

THERE IS NOT THE INHERENT HONESTY AND INDIGNATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF OKLAHOMA TO BOLDLY AND OPENLY AND SPECIFICALLY CONDEMN THE OFFICIAL ACTS OF JIM ROBERTSON AND HIS SATELLITES.

Party responsibility, bah! Where is it? What is it? If in evidence at Okmulgee at all it was harnessed to the machine to protect the crooks and give them absolution. The entire state now knows that!

And thus the entire population of this state has it demonstrated to its satisfaction that a political party is absolutely incapable of purging itself while in office. Only by scourging it from authority, denying the governing mandate, can the decent and courageous element of the party be given their chance to force reformation.

The old guard, the crooked guard, the corrupt guard, making puppets out of the so-called young democrats at Okmulgee shows this clearly.

Just Folks
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A Prayer

Grant me the strength to meet today

Whatever burdens I must bear,

Let me be cheerful when I may

Nor magnify my bit of care.

Open my eyes that I may see

The larger purpose of the plan,

And when disaster threatens me

Lord, let me face it as a man.

Let me have vision so that I

May see beyond the doubt and dread

Tomorrow's smiling patch of sky.

Let me not scorn the path I tread.

Let me behold the finished task—

Not now, but in the years to be;

Grant me the faith and strength, I ask,

To bear its hardships willingly.

Lord, when I falter and am weak

And difficulties bar my way,

Hold up to me the goal I seek

And let me see beyond today.

Lord, let me find in toilsome care,

And bitter service to be done,

In petty failure and despair,

The larger glory to be won.

Oklahoma Outbursts

By OTIS LORTON.

As a general thing, observes the Dallas News, the easiest way to prove you have good taste is to point out the bad taste of others.

The book of books says: "Some shall stand on Mount Gerizim to bless, and some on Mount Ebal to curse." Choose your Mount, gentlemen, and let 'er go, "Dickie."

If Judge Christopher had happened back to Okmulgee while the "young democrats" were there they would probably have given him a vote of confidence and thanks.

As we understand the final analysis, Newt Graham was a notable victory Tuesday. There may be others who will wave their pennants but the cubeweb pink hosiery goes to Newt.

A colored voter called up the other morning to explain how precinct 23 voted so consistently unanimous against the amendments. He said it was because they had a vision. The "vision" looks like C. H. H.

At a young ladies' bridge party the other day one of the players did "one" and told the other she had enough food for breakfast, but she did years for a square meal at dinner time. She also intimated that she hardly ever ate breakfast anyway.

We have heard a lot about the expert gunmen of Ardmore, but it seems after the exchange of shots in a small room the other day, which only inflicted slight wounds on four, that they ought to get out and practice some before making any further boasts.

Lieutenant Governor Trapp intimates that he might pardon a few, or get out of the state and let some other acting governor pardon a few, but he'll be damned if he appoints any judges just to accommodate Governor Robertson and relieve him of any embarrassments.

Touchstones of Success
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IT MATTERS LITTLE AS TO YOUR START, BUT MUCH AS TO YOUR FINISH.

By FREDERICK W. TAYLOR, Los Angeles, Agriculturist.

In the long run it makes much less difference whether a man has had a liberal education, or money, or a distinguished family back of him, than most of us imagine.

The one who never makes a determined start because he lacks one of these, or something else, usually has himself to blame for lack of at least a fair measure of success.

By the time a man is 40, and for that matter, frequently earlier, he has already made up his mind as to whether he is going to succeed or not. It is usually nearly or quite impossible to tell how he was equipped or helped at the start, or if he had to make his own way, unaided.

By this I mean that the seeming inequalities of the start are soon wiped out, much sooner than we generally think.

If a man is of an inquiring turn of mind, he has, by that time, dug out and classified more accurate information than the average.

If he is a reader, he has read and digested more of the literature of the world than the average.

If he is interested in his vocation, he has become a leader in it, to a greater extent than the average; and every vocation offers many points of interest, for the thoughtful student. And remember that a student is simply one who studies, whether in a school, or a shop, or at home, or in the open. Never forget that.

Our man will have attained these higher-threshold levels, partly by his own efforts, and partly by the opportunities at his start.

Look over your acquaintance, among those you consider leaders in the various walks of life, and see if these conclusions are not accurate.

Note in how many cases of men past 40 you are able to tell whether they are college men or not, or whether they had money, or position, or anything else of value, to start with. I am sure that you will be surprised at what you find.

If you feel that you have not a fair start, you ought to be heartened by the number who have succeeded with no more start than you have.

A college education should be a great help to a young man. Too often it is not.

Money should be a help, often it is a hindrance.

Family connections should be a stimulus, but rarely often stand in the way of growth.

The farther you get past the 40 line in the life of a man, the harder it becomes to classify him as to his early equipment and opportunities. If he has mingled, he has had opportunity, with the wisest and best men he has met. If he has read the recorded words of the world's greatest thinkers, if he has cherished and practiced the use of good English, if he has kept his mind clear and his heart pure, he will, in the end, triumph.

It is the finish that counts, not the start.

Barometer of Public Opinion

Disagrees With Miss Alice.

Editor World: Would like to take up some of your valuable space in your wonderful paper with making a few remarks in regards to the soldiers' bonus bill. I am a republican and a staunch admirer of Miss Alice M. Robertson, republican congresswoman from Oklahoma.

I read her speech on the bonus bill and the patriotism of our boys of the world war and cannot agree with Miss Robertson's views. In the first place and as I see it, the soldiers of revolution, civil and the Spanish-American wars fought of their own free will for honest principles and Old Glory, while our boys of the world war, fought by selective draft and for international high finance. Isn't it enough to slightly dull the patriotism of our boys when we go back in recent history and see the many money mad mistakes made by our beloved government. I remember in the spring of 1915, when the Huns dealt the death blow to the good ship, Lusitania, how the country was stirred from coast to coast and patriotism was in evidence throughout the country, but high finance was not ready until 1917, selective draft, then the boys were yanked into Europe, food jobs and everything worth while, pell mell to go and fight and they did it, with just as much patriotism as the boys of '61 and '68. They did it with just as much honor and suffering untold hardships. They went over the top with Old Glory and saved the honor of our nation and paid a long-standing debt to France. How can congress whine? Oh, no, Miss Robertson, the fault is not with our boys, but with the high government officials and the international high financiers.

I cannot but think of the Colombia treaty, with its 25 millions and of how readily congress voted away 25 millions to Russia and Turkey. Think what that alone would do for our own streets hungry and out of work, their beloved families in need—some of them ill. I say give them the bonus before some other foreign relief funds get it. Our boys didn't put price on their patriotism, like Miss Robertson said, but they are sick, hungry, down and out and our government SHOULD give them a bonus. Or congress might repeal the Volstead law and take the revenue derived from the bottled in bond and pay the soldiers' bonus.

Yours truly,

MARGUERITE LEU.

Box 552, Tulsa, Okla.

P. S.—Eden I don't think a kinsman in the world who would benefit by the bonus and I am a nurse and nursed the boys during the war because of my profession.

OUR INQUIRING NEIGHBOR

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Keep the Children in School

By NORA COLE SKINNER

I read somewhere the other day, and of course, of a foreigner said it, that Americans were the most conceited people under the sun.

I hate to agree with a foreigner on even a scintilla of that kind of statement.

But because of one given fact, I must acknowledge she is right to some degree.

We do say we are the best educated people in the world, and we are, but we are such that we ought to be able to back the allegation up, as true, but figures are cold and unrelenting, and they insist—we've got to learn.

Recently I read an article about the illiteracy of our enlisted men, those in the draft. One out of every four couldn't read or write.

In the German army there was but one out of every 5,000 who couldn't read or write.

Education will develop a keen intellect, it is patent the Germans have us beaten, for a keen intellect makes for efficiency.

Why do we have so much illiteracy in the United States? Every state in the union has free public schools—Germany, France and England have none, and every state in the union has compulsory education, and truant officers to enforce the law.

But do they? Evidently not, the law is something of a joke, or rather is treated like such, and the sophisticated youth of the land decide no more learning, and that there's more money in "waitin' table at the Booster, with Wednesday and Saturday afternoons off," than in learning.

Looking into the professions or a business of their own and struggling a few years before acquiring recognitions and adequate pay.

A reporter attempted to turn the claim of a university professor in Chicago of late that the average intelligence of Americans was about that of a pupil in the sixth grade.

The Young Lady Across the Way

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The young lady across the way says she sees by the papers that Russian money is being made as fast as the printing press can work and she's glad the unhappy country's finances are sound anyway.

Little Bennis

Lee Pope

Note Book

I went in the shoe place to get a new pair of shoes this afternoon, and I took the shoe off to give it to the man and I had such a big hole in my stocking my heel stuck right out as if it thawed that was what the hole was for, well, I thought, Good night, that wasnt there this morning.

Proving you never can tell what's going on behind your back, and I sat there looking at my heel out in the air and some man was setting there waitin' for his shoes to get fixed so he could put them on and go out, and just then who I see wawking in but Mary Watkins me thinking, G wize, holey smokes. And I grabbed a hold of a newspaper on the bench next to me to cover my foot with it, and the man waiting for his shoes grabbed it rite back agen saying, Haw wats the big idee, this is mine. So I quick stuck my foot into the shoe and the man waiting and Mary Watkins asked the shoe man for her mothers shoes and then turned around and saw me setting there with only one leg in site, saying, Hello Benny, wats you doing heer, my goodness what are you setting like that for? Have you got a cramp in your foot?

Yes, I seen Benny looking like a good idee, and she sed, Well then why

don't you hold it in front of you and kick it out all your mite, thats wat to do wnen you get a cramp.

I tried that, so now Im trying this, I sed.

Why don't you try it agen? sed Mary Watkins, and I sed, No, Im trying this, and she sed, Thats a crazy way, well Ill jest wait a wile and see. Which she sat down to do me thinking, Heck, good nite, and I sed, You better not wait, its libel to take 2 more hours, Ive had these before.

Well Ill wait a little wile anyway, she sed, Wich she started to do, keepin on advisin me to kick my foot out in front of me and me keepin on not taking the advice, and she waited so long my foot under the bench didnt have any feelings left in it, and as soon as she went I quick pulled it out and wat did it have in it but a reel cramp, and she quick kicked it out in front of me all my mite about 10 times and it got all rite.

Proving she was rite.

ANOTHER RAID ON WOLVES

Propose to Put Some More of the Nine Who Escaped Former Drive, Special to The World.

VINITA, Feb. 23.—A wolf and rabbit drive started today in a territory northeast of this city comprising about seven miles square. This is the same district covered about two weeks ago when nine wolves were scared out of their hiding places, but only one was killed.

Rev. W. U. Thompson and Sandy McCrary attended the Timber Hill wolf drive Monday and brought back a large coyote.

Pleading the "Baby" Act.

Special to The World.

ENID, Feb. 23.—The Enid City Railway company, because of the prevailing generosity of drivers of automobiles in picking up their fares, has signified its intention to fight any more paving of streets where it obliges them to pave between the tracks or even fill the space with cinders. They announced this to the mayor and explained the situation, saying that theirs was a losing game because of lack of patronage.

Then we may continue or government the greatest "under the sun," and its people, if "conceded"—justifiably so.

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The Horoscope

"The stars incline but do not compel." Cpt. 1922, by McClure Newspaper Synd.

Friday, February 24, 1922.

Astrologers read this as an uncertain day. Saturn and Mercury are in benefic aspect, while Neptune is strongly adverse.

It is a rule particularly fortunate for persons in long established lines of business. All who have reached success should push their affairs at this time.

Advertising should be lucky for it is subject to a sign making for large returns.

They who would start new enterprises will do well to distrust their judgment when Neptune is interfering and they should delay initiative until a more auspicious rule for adventuring.

Mercury gives promise of large returns for literary work and a new interest in books is forecast.

Farmers come under an encouraging planetary direction that should insure large returns for next spring's work.

Real estate transactions should be profitable under this government of the stars and many women will make money in speculation. It is forecast.

This day should be favorable to elderly persons and their enterprises. The rule is supposed to stimulate their energies and to impart an optimism of spirit.

Neptune not only gives warning of possible disasters at sea and dis-appointment to investors in all stocks, but the planet's position in the tenth house presages many scandals in high life.

This is a lucky day for signing leases or contracts, making for mutual satisfaction and profit.

Fame for a journalist who is past middle life is foretold by the stars. Diplomatic blunders and possible embarrassing crises for the United States appear to be forestshadowed, but a lucky outcome is indicated.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a quiet year in which they will pursue routine business. Dangers threaten all who indulge in flirtations.

Children born on this day will be clever and industrious, winning the success that insures a serene life in which there is no chance for fame.

Abe Martin

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